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Friday 28th June 2024

Year 5 Bowles Residential: 21st – 23rd March 2025

Dear Year 4 Families,

We are beginning to organise our residential trips for next academic year and wanted to share information with you about our exciting Year 5 residential. When your child is in Year 5, we will once again be running a residential trip to Bowles Rocks Education Centre. This trip will take place from **Friday 21st March to Sunday 23rd March 2025.** Bowles is a non-profit educational activity centre five miles south of Tunbridge Wells which is used by many Surrey schools for their school trips. The weekend's activities for the children are many and various, taking part in activities in a safe and secure environment which has a positive effect on children's achievement in many areas of their lives.

We would very much like all of our Year 5 children to attend as they gain so much from being part of a whole group experience and will form treasured memories which remain long after school days are over. If there is any aspect of the trip that gives you or your child cause for concern, please speak to Miss Revels-Hull or the Year 5 teachers from September.

All five schools from the Trust will be taking part in the same residential at different times, and as a result of working together in this venture we are pleased to be able to offer a competitive cost of £245.00 per child, which covers accommodation, catering, coach travel and insurance.

Please note that this price is based on a minimum of 45 children attending from across the year group. Should the number of children who sign up for the trip be a much lower figure than we have estimated, it would lead to a necessary change in cost. Should this happen we will advise you as soon as possible after the 27th September 2024.

Unfortunately, and with regret, should we not have sufficient families paying the full amount, then we will have no choice but to cancel the trip. If your child is eligible for pupil premium (PP) a subsidy will be available and will be applied automatically after the full deposit of \pounds 100 is paid.

Curriculum Meeting

A Curriculum information evening will be organised in September. Here, we will go through the itinerary in a little more detail, further outlining our aims and expectations of this trip, and answering any questions you may have.

We are kindly asking for you to **consent on SCOPay by Wednesday 10th July** if you feel that your child would like to attend Bowles next year. Payments will be due from September, however we wanted to give you as much notice as possible.







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Payment

Here is the payment plan below. Anyone who finds this difficult and may require a personalised payment plan, please contact the office as soon as possible.

In order to secure a place for your child we ask that you tick the online consent box on Scopay by **Wednesday 10th July 2024**.

By **Friday 27th September 2024**, we will need any final consents, together with the nonrefundable deposit of £100.

You then have the choice of paying the remainder of the trip in installments as follows:

 \pounds 50.00 by Friday 25th October 2024 \pounds 50.00 by Friday 29th November 2024 \pounds 45.00 Friday 24th January 2025

All payments must be made no later than Friday 24th January 2025.

Permission and Deposit

As this trip is now available online, if you wish to start making smaller payments earlier, you are able to do so providing that the above amounts are paid by the dates specified. Once you have booked a place for your child, you are committed to the cost even if on the day your child cannot attend, irrespective of the circumstances, unless the trip is cancelled by the school.

Kind regards,

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Miss Revels-Hull KS2 Phase Leader